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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 13, 2011 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This response is in reply to the Final Office Action mailed on October 13, 2011 in connection with the above-identified application. The time set for filing a response to the October 13th Office Action expired on January 13, 2012. Applicants hereby request a two (2) month extension of time for responding to the October 13th Office Action and have charged the required fee to a credit card. With the expected grant of Applicants' request for extension of time, the time for responding to the Office Action now expires March 13, 2012. Accordingly, the present response is timely filed. Applicants file this response with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).